



GREAT CATS World Park featuring 'Predators in Action' now is located at the south end of Cave Junction. Information about park hours is available at 592-2957 or online at greatcatsworld-park.com. Director Craig Wagner and assistants Christina Cwalinski and Tami Harris provided a preview recently for the Illinois Valley Chamber of Commerce Greeters Committee. The park has 28 cats representing some 17 species, and Wagner plans many more. (Clockwise from top left) Wagner with 'Tarri,' a 500-pound Asian White Bengal tiger, one of only approximately 500 still existing worldwide; 'Zulu,' an African lioness; 'Jetta,' a Himalayan Snow leopard, one of only 125 known to exist, and which can leap 55 feet; 'Meiki,' an Amur leopard from the Amur River Valley between Russia and China, believed to be one of approximately 150 still living. 'Meiki' is a much-photographed animal, said Wagner, as he has appeared in numerous photography spreads including being on the cover of 'National Geographic' magazine; two of three Siberian tiger cubs named 'Xena,' 'Diesel,' and 'Keira,' and 'Samson,' a 450-pound Bengal tiger from India. Wagner said that he has 22 years experience working with the big cats. He said that his plan is to bring the park population to 70 cats and that it will then be the largest collection in the United States -- possibly in the world. Visitors will be able to enter the gift shop and snack bar areas free, but an admission fee will be charged to view the cats. Wagner is planning various shows and demonstrations featuring the felines. Shows will include 'Predators in Action,' 'Multispecies Cat Show,' 'Small Feline Demonstrations,' and 'Tiger Splash.'



I.V. High honors Cougar winter athletes

Illinois Valley High School has announced recipients of 2005 winter awards.

Scholar Athletes
(For maintaining minimum grade-point averages of "B" while participating in extracurricular activities.)

*Cheerleading: Jenny Bebb, Nicole Navarro.

*Boys basketball: James Gerhardt, Jessea Mucha, Austin Hocker, Garrett Crowl.

*Girls basketball: Serena Barry, Emily Dudley.

Following are recipients of award plaques.

Wrestling

*Most Valuable: Zach Pagnotta.

*Most Improved: Paulo Rocha.

*Most Inspirational: Sam Green.

*Outstanding Freshman: Jesse Swift.

*Most Improved Freshman: Larry Ragsdale.

*Coaches of the Year: Jay Miller Eric Unger, Ted Hall, Matt Miller. Statisticians: Jessica Ragsdale, Bridgitte Rocha, Jasmine Miller, Tiffannee Griffin, Brandi Miller.

Skyline Conference First Team: Zach Pagnotta, Paulo Rocha, Sam Green, Jacob Miller.

*Skyline Second Team: Larry Ragsdale, Jerrad Miller, Jessie Swift, Adam Miller, Jacob Ellis, Westcott Lynch.

*Skyline Third Team: Anthony Miller, Lefi Tausaga, Duke Scott.

*1st at State: Zach Pagnotta.

*4th at State: Jesse Swift.

*5th at State: Jacob Miller, Paulo Rocha, Sam Green, Westcott Lynch.

Special appreciation was extended to Shop Smart Food Warehouse and Bob Stafford.

Boys Basketball

*Freshmen Most Valuable: Alex Bergman.

*Freshmen Coach's Award: William Crowl.

*JV Most Valuable: Tim Mikels.

*JV Most Improved: Ro-

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Vikings cited for top grades

Lorna Byrne Middle School announced the first semester Honor Roll for students attaining a minimum grade-point average of 3.0 in all classes.

4.0 and Higher

*6th Grade: Ryan Andrews, Burt Barker, Selina Barrett, James Buck, Isaac Carnes, Allison Cowan, Gregory Crombie-Fujita, Alessia Hennings, Alexander Hess, Roger Hults, Kayla Johnson, Marissa Litak, Audrey Mechling, Desiree Miatke, Casey Robertson, Kieran Rose, Margaret Ruiz, Sabrina Swartz, Cassandra Thurman, Geneva Vasquez, Ashley Webb.

*7th Grade: Callie Harland, Autumn Isenagle, Daniel Nordal, Rachel Paul, Heidi Unger.

*8th Grade: Aleena Anderson, Sara Austin, Sierra Chiverton, Erin Dobie, Kathrine Dobie, Antonio Escalante, Sean Ewing, Kimiko Fujita, Tracie Losey, Brittani Loucks, Jacob Nichols, Kevin Snook, McKenzie Yeoman.

3.5 to 3.99

*6th Grade: Lindsey Aria, Jeremiah Berger, Jesse Bethke, Chelsea Bullock, Cody Chiverton, Matt Coultas, Jordan Crouse, Thea Deter, Krista Dice, Nicholas Dowd, Winona

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Country Breakfast
I.V. Senior Center
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